## **EXHIBIT J**

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     IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
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           MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA
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    RIC SZABO,
         Plaintiff
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                               Civil Action No.:
                               21-cv-00468
             VS.
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    MUNCY INDUSTRIES, LLC
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    D/B/A MUNCY MACHINE & :
    TOOL CO., INC.,
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         Defendant
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               Wednesday, June 15, 2022
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              Remote oral deposition of KIMBERLY
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    LEXLAURA BUNTING, via Zoom videoconference,
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    conducted at the location of the witness in
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    Jersey Shore, Pennsylvania, taken on the above
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    date, beginning at approximately 3:25 p.m.,
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    before Jessica M. Gericke, RPR, CCR-NJ, and
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    Notary Public in and for Delaware, New Jersey,
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    and Pennsylvania.
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                   THE COURT REPORTER: All
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         being sworn in remotely. Due to the
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         nature of remote reporting, please pause
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         briefly before speaking to ensure all
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         parties are heard completely.
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                   Counsel, please state your
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         appearance.
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                   MS. KRAMER:
                                 Mary Kramer for
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         the plaintiff, Ric Szabo.
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                   MR. STAPP: Greg A. Stapp for
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         Muncy Industries.
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                   KIMBERLY LEXLAURA BUNTING,
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         after having been first duly sworn, was
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         examined and testified as follows:
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    BY MS. KRAMER:
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              Good afternoon, Miss Bunting. My
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    name is Mary Kramer and I am one of the
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    attorneys representing Ric Szabo in the matter
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    he has brought against Muncy Industries.
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                   The reason I have asked you
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- 1 here today is just to ask you about what facts
- you have personal knowledge of and after I am
- <sup>3</sup> finished, Attorney Stapp may have some
- 4 follow-up questions and we'll be done here.
- 5 Okay?
- 6 A. Okay.
- <sup>7</sup> Q. I would like to go over just a few
- 8 instructions with you.
- 9 Have you ever had your
- deposition taken before?
- 11 A. No. This is my first time.
- 12 Q. So with that in mind, I am going to
- 13 ask you to allow me to finish asking my
- 14 question before answering and, likewise, I
- will do my best to allow you to finish
- 16 answering before I ask you my next question.
- 17 Okay?
- 18 A. Okay.
- 19 Q. I will also ask that you keep your
- 20 responses verbal instead of nodding or shaking
- your head or saying uh-huh or unh-unh.
- Because, otherwise, the court reporter will
- have a difficult time getting everything down.
- <sup>24</sup> Okay?

- A. Okay.
- Q. Thank you. Are you represented by
- <sup>3</sup> an attorney today?
- 4 A. No, I am not.
- <sup>5</sup> Q. So if Attorney Stapp has an
- 6 objection, I will just ask that you allow us
- <sup>7</sup> to resolve the objection, and then go ahead
- 8 and answer the question.
- Finally, if at any time you
- 10 need a break -- I don't think this will take
- 11 too long -- just let me know, and I will be
- 12 happy to take a break. I would just ask that
- 13 you finish the question before we pause.
- 14 Okay?
- 15 A. Okay.
- Q. With that out of the way, could you
- 17 state your name for the record?
- 18 A. Yes. My name is Kimberly Lexlaura
- 19 Bunting.
- Q. And what is your current mailing
- 21 address?
- A. 400 Baer Street, Jersey Shore,
- Pennsylvania 17740.
- Q. And (inaudible)?

- A. Can you restate that?
- Q. Is there anybody in the room with
- you right now?
- A. No, ma'am, there is not.
- <sup>5</sup> Q. Do you have any notes with you?
- A. No, ma'am, I do not.
- <sup>7</sup> Q. Okay. How did you prepare for
- 8 today's deposition?
- 9 A. I looked online to see if I can see
- 10 kind of what was going on and anything that I
- 11 could see for public record. Other than that,
- 12 I haven't really done anything. This is my
- 13 first deposition. So I haven't -- I don't
- $^{14}$  really know how to prepare.
- 15 Q. That's totally understandable.
- When you did your online
- search, were you able to find anything?
- 18 A. Yes, I was.
- Q. Would you mind just telling us what
- you reviewed online?
- A. Yes. It wasn't anything that was
- 22 for Ric Szabo versus Muncy Industries. It was
- <sup>23</sup> for Shandi -- I can't recall her last name --
- $^{24}$  and Ric, it looks like on a prior suit that

- 1 had taken place, nothing that was giving me
- <sup>2</sup> any knowledge into this particular suit in
- <sup>3</sup> question.
- Q. So it was Shandi and Ric on the same
- <sup>5</sup> caption at the top?
- 6 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. Did you see a complaint?
- 8 A. It was kind of hard to follow along.
- <sup>9</sup> They were just advising that it was some
- 10 employee discrimination suit that was against
- 11 Muncy Industries.
- Q. Okay. And I will just put on the
- 13 record that I believe that you were looking at
- 14 this case. It used to have both of them. Now
- $^{15}$  it's just Ric, but that works.
- Did you speak to anyone today
- about -- or with anyone about today's
- deposition?
- 19 A. No, I have not.
- Q. I don't mean offense by this.
- Are you currently taking any
- 22 drugs or medication that would interfere with
- your ability to understand my questions or to
- <sup>24</sup> tell the truth?

- A. No, ma'am.
- O. When (inaudible) against Muncy?
- A. Can you restate the question?
- Q. When did you learn about Mr. Szabo's
- <sup>5</sup> claims against Muncy?
- 6 A. That I saw online? Is that what you
- 7 mean?
- Q. Were you aware of the -- when you
- 9 worked for Muncy, were you aware that he had
- 10 filed a lawsuit?
- 11 A. I was not employed with Muncy at the
- 12 time that I became -- it was brought to my
- 13 attention that he had.
- Q. Okay. Have you ever pleaded guilty
- or no contest to or been convicted of a felony
- or a misdemeanor?
- A. No, ma'am, I have not.
- 18 Q. Have you ever been arrested or
- 19 charged for a crime, regardless of whether or
- 20 not you were convicted?
- $^{21}$  A. No, ma'am, I have not.
- Q. What is your highest level of
- 23 education?
- A. Master's degree.

- O. Okay. And in what?
- A. I have an MBA in business
- <sup>3</sup> administration.
- Q. When did you get that degree?
- <sup>5</sup> A. I graduated December 2017.
- Okay. From where?
- 7 A. Texas A&M University-Commerce.
- Q. What was your first job after
- 9 graduating college -- getting your master's?
- 10 I am sorry.
- 11 A. I was actually currently employed at
- 12 Muncy Industries when I had graduated with my
- 13 MBA.
- Q. So then when did you officially
- 15 start working for Muncy?
- <sup>16</sup> A. In 2014.
- 17 Q. 2014? Who hired you?
- 18 A. I apologize. I am sorry. I got
- 19 hired at Muncy in 2017. I graduated
- December 2017. My apologies.
- Q. So it was 2017 you were hired, not
- 22 2014?
- A. Correct. I apologize. I misspoke.
- Q. That's totally okay. Who hired you

- <sup>1</sup> in 2017?
- 2 A. Ophelia Fetter.
- Q. Okay. Who is she to the company?
- <sup>4</sup> A. She is the president and owner of
- <sup>5</sup> Muncy Industries.
- Q. Okay. What was your position at the
- <sup>7</sup> time of your hiring?
- <sup>8</sup> A. Inside sales representative.
- <sup>9</sup> Q. What were your job duties in this
- 10 position?
- 11 A. As an inside sales representative,
- 12 it was my responsibility to report into the
- office and answer incoming phone calls, in
- 14 addition to placing outgoing phone calls in
- 15 regards to quoting activity for our customers,
- work on special projects deemed from our vice
- 17 president of sales and order entry; and
- working with our cross-functional teams to
- ensure successful order entry, as well as
- 20 shipping of orders.
- Q. Okay. Did you have the authority to
- 22 hire and fire any employees?
- A. No, I did not.
- Q. Were you involved in decisions to

- hire and fire employees?
- <sup>2</sup> A. Not that I recall.
- Q. Okay. And were you an inside sales,
- 4 you said, representative?
- <sup>5</sup> A. Yes.
- 6 Q. From January 8, 2018, until you
- 7 left?
- 8 A. No. I was promoted to an inside
- 9 sales manager.
- 10 Q. Okay. What were your job duties in
- 11 your position as inside sales manager?
- 12 A. I had two representatives that would
- be my direct reports and I was to oversee the
- 14 sales department; that included quoting and
- order entry, as well as customer escalations
- that would take place, and also bring any
- issues to the attention of the vice president
- $^{18}$  of sales.
- Q. When did you get that promotion?
- A. I do not recall a specific date.
- Q. And who was the vice president of
- 22 sales during that period?
- A. Jason Fetter.
- Q. Okay. Once you were an inside sales

- 1 manager, did you have authority to hire and
- <sup>2</sup> fire anyone?
- A. No, I did not.
- Q. Okay. What was your work schedule
- <sup>5</sup> in this position?
- 6 A. You mean my hours and the days of
- <sup>7</sup> the week that I worked?
- 8 Q. Yes.
- 9 A. It was Monday through Friday, 8:00
- $^{10}$  to 4:30.
- 11 Q. 8:00 to 4:30. And was this every
- 12 day? Did it change?
- 13 A. That was what my hours were. I did
- often work after hours, but that was the hours
- 15 that -- the shift that I was required to work
- 16 every day.
- Q. Were you paid hourly or were you a
- salary employee?
- 19 A. I was a salary employee.
- Q. What was your salary?
- 21 A. I do not recall a specific number.
- Q. So you worked overtime sometimes.
- Was that your decision or were
- <sup>24</sup> you asked to?

- 1 A. I do not recall.
- Q. Okay. Were you paid when you worked
- 3 overtime?
- A. As a salary employee, no, I wasn't
- 5 compensated for my overtime time.
- Q. Okay. And you said you reported to
- <sup>7</sup> Mr. Fetter?
- 8 A. Yes, I did.
- <sup>9</sup> Q. What was your relationship with
- <sup>10</sup> Mr. Fetter?
- 11 A. How do you mean?
- 12 Q. Did you have a good relationship?
- 13 Was it just strictly professional? Did you
- 14 like him?
- A. It was strictly just professional
- 16 relationship. It was a working one. There
- would be times where, obviously, because he
- was traveling a majority of the time, I would
- 19 say about 90 percent, if not more was based on
- $^{20}$  the phone.
- So phone calls that either
- 22 myself or the sales staff would place into him
- to seek approval on a variety of different
- topics, but it was a professional

- <sup>1</sup> relationship.
- Q. Okay. Did you ever have to travel
- 3 for work?
- <sup>4</sup> A. Yes, I did.
- <sup>5</sup> Q. And when you traveled, was it after
- 6 4:30 or before 8:00?
- <sup>7</sup> A. Yes.
- Q. Were you paid for that travel --
- 9 A. As a salary --
- 0. -- time?
- 11 A. As a salary employee, I took that as
- 12 my duties.
- Q. Okay. And you are no longer with
- 14 Muncy, correct?
- 15 A. That is correct.
- Q. Did you resign or were you
- 17 terminated?
- 18 A. I resigned.
- Q. Why did you leave?
- A. I got another position with higher
- wages and higher responsibility.
- Q. Okay. So you're currently working
- there now?
- A. No. I am actually not working at

- <sup>1</sup> that place any longer.
- Q. Okay. Are you currently working
- <sup>3</sup> right now?
- <sup>4</sup> A. No, I am not actually. I am not.
- <sup>5</sup> Q. (Inaudible)?
- 6 A. Can you restate that?
- <sup>7</sup> Q. Are you familiar with Ric Szabo?
- 8 A. Yes, I am familiar with him.
- 9 Q. Did you work with him?
- 10 A. I did.
- 11 Q. How (inaudible)?
- 12 A. How often?
- Q. Yes.
- 14 A. Once he was hired onto Muncy and was
- 15 traveling for the calibration team, Ric and I
- 16 had to work closely together in regards to
- 17 scheduling calibration trips, as well as I was
- $^{18}$  to -- what we call a cert check. I was to
- double-check his certification work that he
- would be doing on site.
- 21 And, also, if he had any issues
- when he was out in the field that required
- troubleshooting or to kind of discuss what the
- 24 issue was, I was his first contact.

- O. Okay. Did you at any point give him
- <sup>2</sup> assignments or was that not part of
- 3 scheduling?
- <sup>4</sup> A. So my responsibility was to provide
- <sup>5</sup> him with a calibration schedule, which would
- 6 be a list of -- like, an itinerary, for lack a
- of better word, of just communicating which
- 8 days he was to travel, what cities, and he
- 9 also had calibration equipment.
- I would be advising whether
- 11 that calibration equipment would be arriving
- on site or where that would be stored so he
- understood where the equipment was for the
- <sup>14</sup> job.
- 15 Q. If I am understanding correctly, it
- was your decision where Ric or the other
- 17 calibration techs would be traveling, you
- 18 picked those assignments, or did you just --
- 19 sorry -- did you just send the itinerary out?
- A. I just sent the itinerary out. The
- 21 decisions as to where Ric Szabo would go and
- the duration in which he would be there is
- 23 something that would have approval from the
- <sup>24</sup> vice president of sales.

- 0. Okay. So the calibration
- 2 technicians had no authority to choose where
- 3 they would go? They got that assigned to them
- <sup>4</sup> by Mr. Fetter?
- 5 A. So there would be an instance, we
- 6 would have a group of customers. We would try
- <sup>7</sup> to consolidate them into a certain area.
- Once we knew that those
- <sup>9</sup> customers needed to be calibrated, Jason and
- myself would be talking about what would be
- the correct manner in which travel should go,
- what would be the most cost effective way to
- <sup>13</sup> go.
- 14 And then it was my -- once
- <sup>15</sup> Jason had provided his approval to me that
- 16 that trip -- that, you know, location A, B,
- and C; and the order in which that was
- supposed to be done; and the manner in which
- 19 the equipment was supposed to move -- it was
- 20 my responsibility to get with Ric to
- 21 communicate that plan that's been approved by
- <sup>22</sup> Jason.
- And the manner in which I did
- that was either phone call or I would send an

- 1 e-mail advising kind of calibrations week of.
- <sup>2</sup> And it was Ric's responsibility to go and book
- <sup>3</sup> his flights and hotel. I did not have a
- 4 company card. So Ric had to go ahead and make
- <sup>5</sup> his own travel arrangements.
- Q. You said when they would go.
- Does that mean when in the day
- 8 or just when in the week, from site to site?
- <sup>9</sup> A. When in the week. So more like days
- of the week. Let's say, Monday he would
- 11 travel this day; Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday.
- 12 I organized it based on when he was to fly out
- and I would keep it just on the day as to when
- $^{14}$  he was to fly back in.
- Okay. On a typical day, when would
- the traveling, if you know, from job site to
- job site take place?
- 18 A. Usually, from my understanding, it
- would be from Monday trying to fly out to
- whatever direction and then fly back in by
- 21 Friday. There were times where it did not
- require week travel and it would be two days,
- three days. Sometimes it did not take a full
- $^{24}$  week.

- 1 Sometimes there were times that
- <sup>2</sup> he -- that Ric could go ahead and drive to
- 3 those locations and did not require a flight,
- 4 but the majority of the time it would be
- <sup>5</sup> focused on Monday to fly out if it required a
- 6 week trip and fly back in on Friday.
- <sup>7</sup> Q. Okay. Are you familiar with how
- 8 long a calibration typically takes?
- <sup>9</sup> A. I do not recall.
- Okay. Do you know how much time a
- 11 calibration technician would spend driving
- 12 from job site to job site?
- 13 A. I do not recall.
- Q. As far as you know, was Mr. Szabo
- ever involved in the hiring or firing of
- 16 employees?
- A. I don't recall.
- 18 Q. Do you know if he was involved in
- 19 making decisions about hiring and firing
- <sup>20</sup> employees?
- A. I do not recall.
- Q. As far as you know, did Mr. Szabo
- 23 supervise any other Muncy employees and direct
- 24 their work?

- 1 A. I don't recall.
- Q. As far as you know, did Mr. Szabo,
- <sup>3</sup> in his position as a calibration technician,
- 4 have authority to make independent choices
- <sup>5</sup> free from immediate direction or supervision?
- 6 A. If it involved -- when Ric was on a
- <sup>7</sup> calibration site, he had the designation, from
- 8 my understanding, that if there was something
- <sup>9</sup> technically that could be troubleshooted on
- 10 site as a calibration technician, that Ric
- 11 would go ahead and troubleshoot in those
- 12 technical aspects.
- However, if it did involve
- 14 customer involvement, if it involved cost, if
- it involved staying an extra night or if there
- was a greater level of impact, he was required
- to communicate that to myself and/or Jason
- 18 Fetter.
- Q. Okay. And then did you or
- Mr. Fetter approve it or did someone else have
- 21 that work?
- 22 A. So mostly Ric would communicate with
- me. Because Muncy did not have a after-hours
- troubleshooting staff. So I would be the

- <sup>1</sup> first contact that he would have.
- I would go ahead and evaluate
- <sup>3</sup> what concern that Ric had. If there was a
- 4 customer impact, cost impact or anything that
- <sup>5</sup> I would consider to be a high impact, then I
- 6 would communicate with Jason myself or I would
- 7 communicate to Ric to contact Jason directly
- 8 to explain the situation to get the designated
- <sup>9</sup> approval.
- 10 Q. Okay. You say they didn't have an
- 11 after-hours line.
- Would he be calling you after
- hours because of a time difference or because
- of when the work would be done? And I don't
- 15 know if -- was it a time difference issue that
- 16 he was calling after hours?
- 17 A. Sometimes there would be. If I
- 18 remember correctly, they were one hour behind
- us or two, but there were other times, aside
- 20 from just a time zone difference, that he
- would be currently actively on the job or he
- would be traveling for a flight or there would
- 23 be something that would be taking place,
- <sup>24</sup> either calibration equipment not arriving or

- <sup>1</sup> arriving on the site, that was not directly
- <sup>2</sup> tied to the time difference. It was based on
- 3 the criteria of the job that needed to be
- 4 done.
- <sup>5</sup> Q. When you were working for Muncy, did
- <sup>6</sup> you have to send Mr. Fetter a daily update
- <sup>7</sup> regarding what you had done that day by
- $^{8}$  e-mail?
- 9 A. Usually, as an inside sales
- 10 representative and then an inside sales
- 11 manager, Jason Fetter would be calling in for
- 12 updates as to what were the levels for sales
- that day, anything that he needed to be made
- 14 aware of. Aside from that occurrence, there
- $^{15}$  was a time in February 2020, that Muncy was
- 16 subject to a -- kind of cyber attack, and
- there was technology that was lost.
- Due to the amount of efforts it
- 19 took to get our data back into the system, I
- was required to provide updates to Mr. Fetter,
- 21 as well as the other Fetters, as to what
- 22 progress that the inside sales team has made
- on trying to have those efforts in regarding
- $^{24}$  getting the data.

- So prior to that time, I did
- 2 not have to send e-mail communication on a
- 3 consistent basis; however, once that computer
- 4 situation happened, I was required to report
- <sup>5</sup> based on our progress and what we were doing.
- Q. Okay. Did he ask you to send him a
- <sup>7</sup> daily or weekly goal list? Like, things you
- 8 wanted to accomplish during that day or that
- 9 week?
- 10 A. Not that I recall.
- Q. Okay. Do you know if the
- 12 calibration technicians and Mr. Szabo had to
- do that?
- 14 A. I have heard of the practice being
- $^{15}$  done for the calibration team, as they had to
- do both in-house and out-of-house
- 17 calibrations. And, obviously, when they were
- 18 not traveling and they had to be in-house, I
- 19 had heard that there was a goal list or a task
- list for a level of accountability, to ensure
- $^{21}$  that tasks were being worked on.
- Q. And you said that if something had
- to do with sales, Mr. Szabo had to get
- <sup>24</sup> authority, approval for that?

- A. In regards to a level of impact if
- 2 he was on a job. So if something had
- 3 happened. If it was on the site and it was
- 4 technical, that he could go ahead and easily,
- <sup>5</sup> you know, provide another shackle or kind of
- 6 work technically on that. He can go ahead and
- <sup>7</sup> do that.
- 8 However, if it involved a
- 9 customer or a level of cost or he missed his
- 10 flight or he had to -- realized the job was
- 11 going to take longer and he needed to stay an
- 12 extra day, then all of those decisions he
- would reach out to myself as the contact.
- I would deem that getting ahold
- of Jason, and Mr. Fetter would be the one who
- would be making that decision of how to
- 17 proceed due to the level of cost impact to the
- 18 company.
- Q. As far as you know, were the
- 20 calibration technicians involved in signing up
- new clients or contracting with anyone?
- A. I do know that with our calibration
- techs, with their level of experience,
- Mr. Szabo individually, just because he had

- worked with Joe Roberts, who was someone very
- 2 known in the industry, that he was asked to
- 3 communicate with customers sometimes to gain
- 4 more knowledge of what Muncy has to offer. I
- <sup>5</sup> will say that efforts of that was 100 percent
- 6 driven by our vice president of sales.
- <sup>7</sup> Q. So he did that on Mr. Fetter's
- 8 authority and direction?
- <sup>9</sup> A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Okay. I apologize for not asking
- <sup>11</sup> this before.
- What was his specific job
- 13 title?
- A. Mr. Szabo?
- 0. Yes.
- 16 A. If I recall correctly, I think he
- was just a calibration technician.
- Q. Do you know if being a calibration
- 19 technician is something that requires a
- <sup>20</sup> degree?
- 21 A. Not that -- I don't recall.
- Q. And as far as you know, did all of
- the Muncy calibration technicians have the
- 24 same level of education?

- A. In regards to education, I do not
- <sup>2</sup> recall.
- Q. How about training --
- 4 A. I --
- <sup>5</sup> Q. -- on-the-job or before?
- 6 A. I will say from looking at our
- 7 calibration technician staff, Ric was someone
- 8 that had the most experience and he also aided
- 9 with writing -- due to his experience, he
- 10 helped write procedures for Muncy.
- He was the first calibration
- 12 tech. So he really provided Muncy direction
- 13 and aided as to the calibration techs that
- 14 followed after him and added to the team. He
- <sup>15</sup> was instrumental and crucial in that
- development based on his knowledge and
- experience that he brought.
- 18 Q. All right. And when he had a hand
- in these procedures, could he implement any
- 20 procedure without approval from Mr. Fetter or
- 21 anyone else?
- <sup>22</sup> A. No.
- MS. KRAMER: Okay. That's all
- the questions I have. Thank you for your

- time today. Attorney Stapp may have
- 2 some.
- 3 BY MR. STAPP:
- Q. Miss Bunting, can you hear me?
- <sup>5</sup> A. Yes, I can.
- 6 Q. Okay. I just have a couple of
- <sup>7</sup> things I want to make sure I understand.
- 8 You left Muncy Industries for a
- <sup>9</sup> job that paid more money; is that correct?
- 10 A. That's correct.
- Q. And, I think, was part of that
- decision based on the fact you had obtained
- 13 your degree in the MBA program?
- $^{14}$  A. Yes.
- 0. With regard to Mr. Szabo, is it
- 16 correct that when he started at Muncy
- 17 Industries, there really wasn't a calibration
- 18 program at Muncy Industries?
- 19 A. That is correct.
- Q. And, in fact, Mr. Szabo was hired to
- <sup>21</sup> create the calibration program?
- A. I do not recall.
- Q. Okay. Did Mr. Szabo write the
- 24 procedures for the calibration program at

- 1 Muncy Industries?
- 2 A. Yes, he did; he contributed to
- <sup>3</sup> writing them. In regards to if there was any
- 4 function teams that helped that he was able to
- <sup>5</sup> collaborate with, I do not recall that.
- 6 O. And Mr. Szabo was the one who
- <sup>7</sup> actually taught other people at Muncy
- 8 Industries how to do the calibration program
- 9 once it was created; is that correct?
- 10 A. Correct.
- 11 O. In fact, I think Mr. Szabo helped
- 12 Jason Fetter understand the calibration
- 13 program itself; is that right?
- 14 A. That is correct.
- O. You were asked about Mr. Szabo and
- 16 his prior employment at Robert's.
- 17 Are you aware that there is an
- 18 e-mail where Mr. Szabo offered to Jason Fetter
- 19 to reach out to Robert's clients?
- A. No, I was not aware.
- Q. You weren't privy to that e-mail?
- A. No, not that I recall.
- Q. Okay. If I understood your
- testimony correctly today, is it fair to say

- <sup>1</sup> that you, as the scheduling person, were
- 2 trying to schedule calibration trips between
- <sup>3</sup> Monday to Friday?
- <sup>4</sup> A. That was the initial goal, correct.
- <sup>5</sup> Q. And you were trying to keep the
- 6 travel part of that included in that
- Monday-to-Friday time frame; is that right?
- 8 A. When it was possible, yes.
- 9 Q. And if I understood your testimony
- 10 correctly, you left it up to Mr. Szabo, since
- 11 he had the company credit card, to actually
- 12 schedule any kind of plane flights or trains
- or things of that nature; is that correct?
- 14 A. That is correct. Because I did not
- 15 have a company card. It was based on the
- 16 approval of Jason Fetter. Ric was to go ahead
- and execute the appropriate flights and hotel
- 18 arrangements necessary based on that approved
- <sup>19</sup> plan.
- Q. And to your knowledge was Mr. Szabo
- 21 allowed to travel in the 8:30 to 5 o'clock
- time frame if he wanted to?
- A. Can you restate the question?
- Q. Sure. Was Mr. Szabo allowed by

- 1 Muncy Industries to travel during the
- 2 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. time frame?
- A. If there was a calibration that was
- 4 scheduled during that time, a part of that
- <sup>5</sup> plan, then, yes, he would be required to
- <sup>6</sup> travel beforehand.
- <sup>7</sup> Q. And, of course, he would have to be
- 8 able to get a flight that was available during
- <sup>9</sup> those hours, too, I would assume; is that
- 10 right?
- 11 A. Correct, but I will say that that --
- it would have to be approved on the plan that
- was approved by Jason Fetter.
- Q. Okay. And at some point while you
- were still employed, did Muncy start to hire
- other calibration technicians?
- 17 A. That is correct.
- Q. And did those calibration
- 19 technicians travel with Mr. Szabo?
- A. That is correct.
- O. And when Mr. Szabo was on site for a
- 22 customer of Muncy Industries with another
- 23 calibration technician, was he in charge of
- 24 their work?

- 1 A. There were times, yes, where there
- <sup>2</sup> would be another calibration tech on site and
- Ric would be showing the ropes, so to speak,
- 4 and making sure that things were following
- <sup>5</sup> based on these procedures that Ric had a hand
- 6 in processing; that's correct.
- <sup>7</sup> Q. Okay. So he was basically teaching
- 8 and supervising those employees; is that
- 9 correct?
- 10 A. When it was on site, when they were
- 11 actively doing a calibration, that's correct.
- Q. Okay. And my understanding from
- 13 your testimony is that Ric was salary when he
- worked for Muncy Industries; is that correct?
- 15 A. I was not privy, nor understood what
- <sup>16</sup> his current standing was.
- Q. Okay. But when you were working for
- 18 Muncy Industries, you were salary; is that
- 19 right?
- A. That's correct.
- Q. And it sounds like from your
- 22 testimony here today that there were times
- that you worked after hours; is that right?
- A. That is correct.

- 1 Q. Did you ever consider filing some
- 2 type of lawsuit against Muncy Industries
- 3 trying to ask for overtime?
- <sup>4</sup> A. No, I did not.
- <sup>5</sup> Q. Why didn't you think to do that?
- A. As a salary employee, I took that as
- <sup>7</sup> in my job responsibility. Also, I will say
- 8 that during my time with Muncy, Muncy has --
- <sup>9</sup> was good to me in regards to bonuses based on
- 10 performance. So I did not find it necessary
- $^{11}$  to -- as a salary employee, I just did what I
- 12 had to do to get the job done.
- Q. Are you aware that Mr. Szabo
- 14 received bonuses when he worked for Muncy
- 15 Industries?
- A. I was not privy to that information.
- Q. Okay. Are you aware of -- and I
- understand you may have been gone, but are you
- aware that Mr. Szabo had written an e-mail to
- other Muncy Industries' customers following
- <sup>21</sup> his departure --
- MS. KRAMER: I am going to
- object to that. It's irrelevant.
- MR. STAPP: I'm just asking if

- she was aware of it. She may not be.
- 2 BY MR. STAPP:
- Q. Are you aware of an e-mail,
- <sup>4</sup> Miss Bunting, that Mr. Szabo sent to Muncy
- <sup>5</sup> Industries' customers indicating that he had
- 6 left?
- 7 A. Not that I recall.
- Q. Okay. Are you surprised that
- 9 Mr. Szabo filed a lawsuit against Muncy
- 10 Industries?
- 11 A. I don't know how to answer that.
- Q. Okay. Well, you indicated earlier
- 13 you were trying to find out what this case was
- 14 about. This is a case about wages and
- 15 overtime.
- Are you surprised that
- 17 Mr. Szabo filed suit against Muncy Industries?
- 18 A. I don't know how to answer that. I
- $^{19}$  am sorry.
- Q. That's okay. With regard to travel
- 21 arrangements for Mr. Szabo, if I understand
- your testimony correctly, he handled his own
- travel arrangements; is that right?
- A. He would be responsible for booking

- <sup>1</sup> the arrangements based on the plan that was
- <sup>2</sup> approved by Jason Fetter.
- Q. Okay.
- A. Ric could not go out on his own
- 5 and -- if we had designated a certain flight
- 6 at a certain time with a certain airline on a
- <sup>7</sup> specific day, Ric couldn't go ahead and just
- 8 book another flight outside of that plan. It
- 9 had to be based on the plan.
- MR. STAPP: Okay. I think
- that's all the questions I have,
- Miss Bunting.
- MS. KRAMER: I just have a few
- follow-ups on that.
- <sup>15</sup> BY MS. KRAMER:
- Q. Miss Bunting, did you clock in and
- out in the morning and the afternoon when you
- 18 got to work and left work?
- 19 A. No, I did not, not that I recall.
- Q. Okay. And in your time with Muncy,
- 21 did you ever miss lunch?
- A. I apologize. It's been a very long
- time since I have been at that job. Yes, that
- $^{24}$  is correct. You had to clock in for the day

- <sup>1</sup> and clock out for the day.
- Q. Okay. Did you have to clock in and
- out when you went to lunch?
- <sup>4</sup> A. I do not recall.
- <sup>5</sup> Q. Okay. Do you remember if in your
- 6 time there you ever missed lunch, worked
- <sup>7</sup> through lunch?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. You did. Okay. Were you paid for
- 10 that time?
- 11 A. I was a salary employee. It was my
- decision to work past.
- Q. Okay. Then just to confirm, you had
- 14 your master's already when you started at
- 15 Muncy?
- A. No. No. I had -- I was working on
- my master's degree when I started at Muncy,
- 18 but I had successfully graduated during my
- 19 time at Muncy, and then I had left about three
- <sup>20</sup> years after.
- Q. So when you were promoted to inside
- sales manager, did you have a master's at that
- point or if you don't remember?
- A. I believe that I did have my

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